November 15, 2012

Mr. Richard Blubaugh Vice President – Health, Safety, and Environmental Resources Powertech (USA) Inc. 5575 DTC Parkway, Suite 140 Greenwood Village, CO 80111

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE DEWEY-BURDOCK *IN-SITU* RECOVERY PROJECT IN FALL RIVER AND CUSTER COUNTIES, SOUTH DAKOTA, SUPPLEMENT TO THE GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR *IN-SITU* LEACH URANIUM MILLING FACILITIES

Dear Mr. Blubaugh:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has completed NUREG-1910, Supplement 4 "Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Dewey-Burdock ISR project in Fall River and Custer Counties, South Dakota, Supplement to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement for *In-Situ* Leach Uranium Milling Facilities."

The draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) includes an analysis of relevant environmental issues and documents the NRC staff's preliminary determinations regarding the environmental impacts from the construction, operation, aquifer restoration, and decommissioning of the proposed *in-situ* uranium recovery project.

The NRC staff is enclosing copies of the draft SEIS, and the associated *Federal Register* Notice of Availability. The notice advises the public that the draft SEIS is available for public review and comment at the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS).

The ADAMS accession number for the draft SEIS and *Federal Register* notice are ML12312A039 and ML12312A040, respectively. The draft SEIS may also be accessed on the internet at <u>http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1910/sx/</u>

In addition, copies of the draft SEIS will be available at the public libraries listed in the *Federal Register Notice*.

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If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Ms. Haimanot Yilma, Project Manager, by phone at 301-415-8029, or by e-mail at <u>Haimanot.Yilma@nrc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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